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The Man Who Tills the Soil Fails to Find the "More Abundant Life" Because He Has Not Been Accustomed to Team Work.

George W. Conn.

(Exclusive Service The Survey Press Bureau.)

Mr. Conn is one of the pioneers in the "get together" movement that has recently been instituted among farmers. Years before the President's Country Life Commission was thought of he started a "Federation of Rural Forces" in McHenry County, Illinois. He writes from large personal experience.

It occurs to the writer that of all the causes that prevent the farmer from entering completely into the inheritance of the race and the joys of the "more abundant life," that most fundamental is the lack of a proper social consciousness. His regard for others, to a great degree, is limited to those directly dependent upon him.

He builds, thinks and loves almost entirely for his own family. The halfheartedness of his social nature is not only his social nature. He does not work in team fashion to good effect. He is not entirely unprogressive. In fact, he is frequently ascribed to the farmer without proper qualification. He may be justly described as unprogressive when it comes to matters of social activity. He often has his "modern" improvements on his farm, but they are solely for him and his "son John." The same man when he moves to town to "retire" may quite possibly be found among the reactionaries or members of the "agin" party when the question of municipal improvements is raised. He has not been "broke" to team work. He has always gone "single."

The most vital problems of the farmer of today involve the economic element in their solutions and the solution in turn reacts upon the economic situation. The reorganization of two of the most important institutions of the country, the school and church, demands ripe social and economic consciousness. We must have more taxes for one and more generous subscriptions and endowments for the other.

The consolidated country school on one hand and the revitalized and reorganized church on the other will be potent factors in the development of the nation. To get it we must have them and to have them we must get it. All co-operation for mutual protection and good command a living and a business for its inception and for its successful and efficient prosecution. This seems to be the ultimate desideratum to make progress in this day and age and this is just the point that seems to be vulnerable in the character of the farmer.

Grinding on the weakness of many secondary or resulting deficiencies in character. First, his lack of respect for, or a better appreciation of, the finer conventions of civilization. Second, his lack of respect for "expert knowledge or opinion."

Third, his somewhat blind worship of custom and tradition that leads him to confuse slavish imitation with the genuinely practical. Fourth, his inability to take a proper perspective because of his isolation, his so-called "independence" and the exaltation of the commercial ideal.

His lack of respect for expert opinion is one of the chief obstacles that must be overcome before he can take a forward step. He has been the last to recognize the principle of division of labor. This accounts somewhat for his slowness to place confidence in the specialist. Evidence of this is on every hand. He does not value the special knowledge of the teacher as his city brother does. He is prone to ignore the suggestions and orders of the boards of health. He has ignored if not actually defied the work of his local agricultural experiment station to the "last ditch," and only in the last few years has he begun somewhat grudgingly to give them his assistance and confidence.

He has generally been the last to avail himself of the mechanical conveniences of the times. He has most frequently been the pioneer in subscribing for marvelous "hair-growers," quick remedies, magnified fruit embalmers in alcohol and many other "gold bricks." He has been the last to assist and credit the honest expert in a worthy, constructive work, but has been easily hypnotized by the fake always held out as promises of immediate and magnificent results. Not the least among these instances of his refusal to recognize his real friends and the suggestions displayed by many farmers toward the proposal to appoint a Commission on Country Life. It was ridiculed privately and publicly and there are still to be found the dispensers of sarcasm among the farmers. It is the old story of disregard for the opinion of one who ought to know more than the average person about the situation. That the Commission should be made up entirely of a number of so-called practical farmers is not to be thought of. The sooner that farmers recognize the fact that suggestions and much help must come from people who are making a special study of the problem and who are not now milking cows twice a day, the sooner we shall see a better day. The fact that a specialist is not now working on a farm is not prima facie evidence that all his suggestions are valueless and wholly theoretical. The best advice to many professions and occupations often comes from people who have obtained a good vantage point and proper perspective. The highest self-respect can only come to those who have a high respect for others and their knowledge and whose complexity is as evident as the present.

The farmer's lack of regard for the finer conventionalities of life weakens his attempts at co-operation. The men of the city appreciate these so-called minor traits. This very regard for niceties in social relations dignifies and strengthens their co-operative efforts.

The writer recently attended a meeting of about six hundred farmers who were attempting to form an association for mutual protection. The scene was enough to make one weep who has at heart the welfare of country life. United and harmonious action was an impossibility. The chairman, a good man a farmer, could do little toward maintaining order. Parliamentary practices were wholly ignored and trampled under foot as were many other conventionalities. The adjournment (better dissolution) was a spectacle calculated to bring a blush to the cheek of the man of some refinement and respect for manners.

The writer is loath to say these seemingly harsh things of the farmer and his lack of refinement in walks of life. Yet it appeared to the observer to be a factor of no little consequence in the working out of an organization that would be effective and demand the respect of all people. When he comes to that point of development where he rationally and promptly recognizes a place and time for the finer conventionalities of life, he will have made a distinct advance toward his own freedom.

The groove of tradition and custom is worn deep by the farmer. Proposals for a change meet with the stock argument "we've always got along this way." In a sense it is a hard argument to meet. It's the last resort in forensic graticulations. The farmer does many things in a long and laborious fashion that could easily be improved by slight changes here and there and by the aid of science. Brains could frequently substitute for brawn for the good of all were it not for this attitude of almost fetish worship. He often prides himself on his "practicality" when a little analysis displays his practicality as a slavish dependence on tradition or custom. Conservatism of the true type is the safe guard of the country but when it assumes the form of ancestral worship and slavish repetition, when it becomes an accompanist of irrationality, it loses its claim to being a virtue.

This lack of respect for science and the rational element in farm activities has no doubt been one of the factors that drove the boy from the farm. This influence of tradition accounts for many instances of a sustained farm architecture that is out-worn, unimproved and unscientific. People still plant beans in "the moon" and overlook the important truths that later science has revealed to them concerning the importance of obeying some of the mandates of nature in preparing the soil and paying a little less attention to a fickle moon. But if the moon does have something to say regarding the growth of beans, let us know. This is what adds zest to farming and puts it in line with other vocations. There is no country problem for the farmer who has caught the vision of those who have not seen the star of hope.

A man does not necessarily become a full-fledged candidate for the Heavenly Kingdom because he is born in a flower garden or has one put around him. It helps but it cannot wholly save the sinner. Environment does much but it cannot do everything. Beauty is a great element for good in our surrounding but it cannot purge a man entirely of his sin. On the whole, however, the silent influences are powerful often in inverse ratio to their noisiness. Waiving all sentiment all poetical hyperbole and all exaggeration, the love-sick youth still maintain that the surroundings of the farmer are superior to any other class in the creation of noble traits of character, providing he enters into them. Here is the trouble. He doesn't see these things in their proper relations and proportions. Again and what is more nearly the truth in prosperous America, he has supplied himself with spectacles whose orbs are two gold eagles and he stumbles through the furrow blind to the truth that would come in and make him free. The dollar has caught him, blind-folded him, gagged him and left him helpless so far as ability to realize spiritual freedom is concerned. The best that is in him is now gone. Everybody sees more in the beauty and freedom of the farm than the farmer. This beauty is not deception. It's not a mirage, neither is it a hallucination nor an illusion. It is a stern fact. When he gets his nose somewhat farther away from the grindstone of daily toil, when he looks on corn to hope, on the hills to dollars, and then—when he looks from these to more of life's conveniences, to something better for his kinsmen, instead of casting envious and envious eyes at the "lining forty," will he learn the lessons that the farm has to teach.

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